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**REQUEST FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
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Application Number: 09/687,197  
Filing Date: Oct. 14, 2000  
First Named Inventor: Maruo  
Group Art Unit: 2822  
Examiner Name: Duong, Khanh B.  
Atty Docket Number: 15.20/5332

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. **NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000.**

**1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a. Previously submitted
- i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_.
  - ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_.
  - iii. Other \_\_\_\_.
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
  - ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
  - iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
  - iv. Other \_\_\_\_.

**2. Miscellaneous**

- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_ months. (Fee of \$ \_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.)
- b. Other \_\_\_\_.

**3. Fees**

- a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-0585.
- i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
  - ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
  - iii. Other \_\_\_\_.
- b. ☒ Checks in the amount of \$750 and \$84 are enclosed. If necessary for consideration of this RCE, please charge any necessary fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-0585.
- c. Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed.)

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY OR AGENT REQUIRED**

Name (print/type) Alan S. Raynes

Registration No. 39,809

Signature *Alan S. Raynes*

Date *September 3, 2003*

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on: September 3, 2003.

Name (print/type) Alan S. Raynes

Signature *Alan S. Raynes*

Date *September 3, 2003*

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